



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

**MARY H WRIGHT ELEMENTARY**  
**Spartanburg 7**  
**Grades: PK-6** **Enrollment: 354**  
**Principal: Wanda Owens-Jackson**  
**Superintendent: Dr. Thomas D. White, Jr.**  
**Board Chair: Sharon D. Porter**

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2010	Below Average	Average	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2009	Below Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A
2008	Below Average	Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

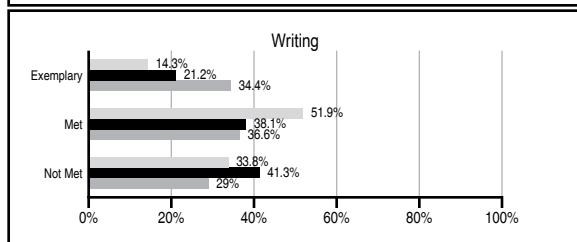
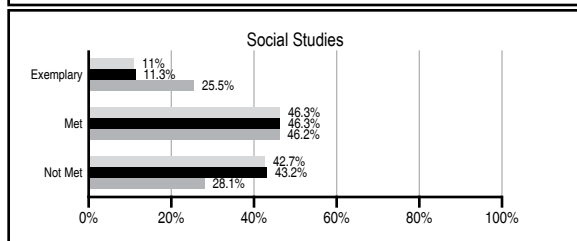
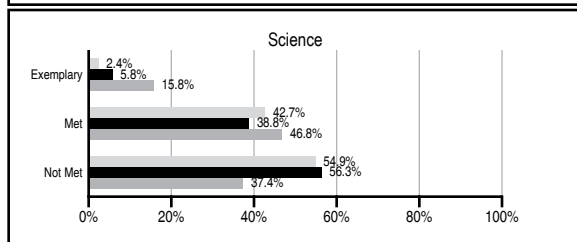
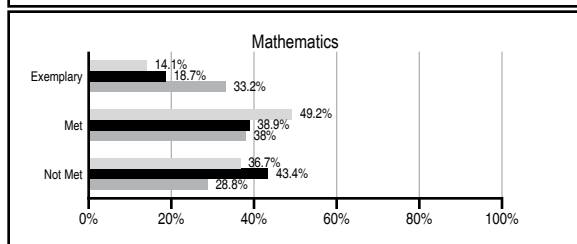
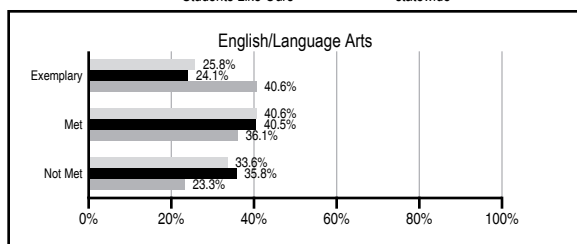
## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	3	60	49	21

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

## PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours Elementary schools statewide



## NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



## SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

**2010 Goal:**  
*By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.*

**2020 Vision:**  
*By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.*

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## SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
<b>Students (n=354)</b>				
Retention rate	1.3%	Down from 2.2%	1.5%	1.2%
Attendance rate	94.6%	Down from 95.0%	95.9%	96.1%
Eligible for gifted and talented	4.7%	Down from 5.8%	4.1%	11.7%
With disabilities other than speech	8.5%	Up from 7.4%	8.5%	8.0%
Older than usual for grade	0.8%	No Change	0.8%	0.4%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 0.3%	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Teachers (n=31)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	74.2%	Down from 75.9%	59.0%	60.5%
Continuing contract teachers	80.6%	Up from 75.9%	78.4%	84.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	82.4%	Up from 82.1%	82.5%	87.0%
Teacher attendance rate	95.3%	Up from 94.0%	95.3%	95.4%
Average teacher salary*	\$53,379	Up 2.2%	\$45,256	\$47,288
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	1.9%	Down from 2.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	13.1 days	Up from 6.4 days	10.6 days	10.5 days
<b>School</b>				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	14.6 to 1	Up from 14.4 to 1	17.2 to 1	19.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.6%	Up from 87.2%	90.6%	90.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	79.8%	Down from 99.9%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$10,985	Up 5.4%	\$8,890	\$7,548
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	67.0%	Down from 68.0%	67.9%	68.7%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	65.2%	Down from 65.7%	62.2%	65.1%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	37	34	22
Percent satisfied with learning environment	83.3%	75.8%	86.4%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	89.2%	73.5%	86.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	41.7%	87.5%	90.5%

\*Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Our mission at Mary H. Wright is to provide a diverse and supportive learning environment that empowers students to utilize information, skills, and the social awareness necessary to function in our ever-changing society. We work hard to build positive bridges of success for our students with the support of parents, faith-based organizations, local colleges and universities, service clubs, community volunteers, and former Mary Wright Achievers.

Several successes have been celebrated throughout the school year. In 2010, for the first time, Mary H. Wright was recognized as one of the one hundred and twenty-four schools in the state to be named a Red Carpet Award winner for providing a warm, family-friendly customer service environment. As a third year Teacher Advancement Program (TAP) School, we received the highest possible student achievement score of Value Added 5, based on the results of the 2008-2009 Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (PASS) test. Also, under the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) legislation, we met 100% of our Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) proficiency goals.

Named first place winners in the Lots2Give Contest sponsored by Big Lots department stores, we received a monetary award of over \$6,000 to start a school store aimed at rewarding good behavior. The Junior League of Spartanburg also awarded us a mini-grant of \$1,000 to help support our students' Green and Growing Garden Club.

We began our year with a Back to School Supply Drive sponsored by The Episcopal Church of the Advent. At this event, attended by local media, students were provided with book bags and many school supplies. Over the years, through their Making Connections Ministry, we have received the support of the church as mentors, reading buddies, homework helpers, special event planners, field trip sponsors, and schoolwide and district-wide committee members. This year, the South Carolina School Board Association recognized the church as a Champion for Public Education based on their notable volunteer contributions.

We also believe in giving back to the community. Our Relay for Life team exceeded its goal of raising over \$3,800.00 in support of cancer research. Student Council raised funds for Zig the Pig in support of children's cancer research and to aid Haiti earthquake victims. Also, again this year, our school has been recognized by the March of Dimes as the number one county-wide elementary contributor.

The School Improvement Council, Parent Teacher Organization, and our School Leadership Team worked collaboratively to analyze and identify best practices and programs that would assist students in increasing achievement within the classroom and on standardized tests. Recognizing our students, faculty, and staff members for their successes was also a top priority. Together, our efforts are consistently focused on creating a sense of pride and commitment to excellence. Bobcats Best and Nothing Less is more than our motto; it's the foundation of our vision of teaching and learning.

Wanda Owens-Jackson, Principal, and Karen Rogers, SIC Chair

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